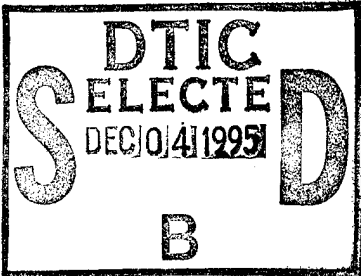


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1. Exercise any size Total Force MAGTF as part of combined or joint operations from home bases, aboard ship, or forward deployed through the seamless integration of live, virtual, and constructive simulations.
2. Conduct mission planning in a distributed environment.
3. Conduct mission preview and rehearsal on land or at sea at all levels, from the individual marine to MEF, within 48 hours of notification.
4. Validate Marine Corps requirements and doctrine using M&S as a primary tool.
5. Participate in the fundamental improvement of the DOD acquisition process by simulating before "we buy, build, or fight"
6. Merge M&S and command, control, and communications systems.
7. Support every major weapon system in the Marine Corps with a simulator that can be networked into a common synthetic environment.
8. Use M&S as a primary decision support tool.

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